## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA DAVID RUFFA, Case No. 2:19-cv-00098-APG-VCF **Plaintiff** ORDER ٧. JERRY HOWELL et al., Defendants

## I. DISCUSSION

On January 16, 2019, Plaintiff, a prisoner in the custody of the Nevada Department of Corrections ("NDOC"), submitted a civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (ECF Nos. 1, 1-1). On January 18, 2019, this Court issued an order denying the application as incomplete and directed Plaintiff to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pay the full filing fee within 30 days from the date of that order. (ECF No. 3). Plaintiff subsequently filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and a properly executed financial certificate. (ECF No. 4). Plaintiff did not file an inmate account statement for the past six months. As such, this application is also incomplete.

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, Plaintiff must complete an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and attach both an inmate account statement for the past six months and a properly executed financial certificate. Plaintiff has not submitted an inmate account statement for the past six months. (See ECF No. 4). The Court will retain Plaintiff's civil rights complaint (ECF No. 1-1), but will not file it until the matter of the payment of the filing fee is resolved. Plaintiff will be granted one final opportunity to cure the deficiencies of his application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by filing an inmate account statement for the past six months, or in the alternative, pay the full filing fee for this action. If Plaintiff fails to file an inmate account statement for the past six months, the Court will dismiss the case in its entirety, without prejudice, to file a new

case when Plaintiff is able to acquire the necessary documents to file a complete application to proceed in forma pauperis.

## II. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court WILL SEND Plaintiff the approved form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by a prisoner, as well as the document entitled information and instructions for filing an in forma pauperis application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within thirty (30) days from the date of this order, Plaintiff will either: (1) file an inmate account statement for the past six months in compliance with 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a); or (2) pay the full \$400 fee for filing a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$50 administrative fee).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff fails to timely file an inmate account statement for the past six months, the Court will dismiss the case, without prejudice, for Plaintiff to file a new case when he is able to acquire the necessary documents to file a complete application to proceed in forma pauperis.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DATED THIS 1st day of February, 2019.

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